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SENATE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
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HOUSE BILL NO. 977
93RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Reported from the Committee on Economic Development, Tourism and Local Government, April 12, 2006, with recommendation that the Senate Committee Substitute do pass and be placed on the Consent Calendar.

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TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

AN ACT

To repeal section 79.060, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to the board of aldermen in fourth class cities.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Section 79.060, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted
2 in lieu thereof, to be known as section 79.060, to read as follows:

79.060. 1. The board of aldermen shall, by ordinance, divide the city into
2 not less than two wards, and two aldermen shall be elected from each ward by the
3 qualified voters thereof, at the first election for aldermen in cities adopting the
4 provisions of this chapter. At such election for aldermen, the person receiving the
5 highest number of votes in each ward shall hold his office for two years, and the
6 person receiving the next highest number of votes shall hold his office for one
7 year; but thereafter each ward shall elect annually one alderman, who shall hold
8 his office for two years.

9 **2. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection 1 of this section,**
10 **cities with a population of one thousand or less in the most recent**
11 **census may, by ordinance, choose to elect aldermen at-large instead of**
12 **by the method outlined in subsection 1 of this section. Under this**
13 **option, the seats of aldermen shall be filled at-large as soon as the**
14 **current terms expire. Each year thereafter, one-half of the board of**
15 **aldermen shall stand for election at-large for a two-year term.**

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